

**PATENT** 

Customer Number: 22,852

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re A	Application of:	)
Roderic M. K. Dale		) Group Art Unit: 1631
Application No.: 09/408,761		) Examiner: Marianne P. ALLEN
Filed:	September 29, 1999	) Confirmation No. 4430
For:	METHODS FOR PRODUCTION OF ARRAYS WITH MODIFIED OLIGONUCLEOTIDE AND POLYNUCLEOTIDE COMPOSITIONS	) ) ) )
P.O. B	nissioner for Patents Box 1450 ndria, VA 22313-1450	
Sir:		

## **RESPONSE**

Applicant now responds to the Office Action mailed March 22, 2004 ("the March Action"). The period for reply has been extended one month by the Petition for One Month Extension of Time and fee payment filed concurrently herewith.